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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND SUBMISSION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Sir:

This paper is a preliminary amendment and constitutes a Rule 114 submission for the accompanying request for continued examination. This paper is being filed in response to the final Office Action dated August 3, 2010, following the Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. § 116, filed November 3, 2010, and following the telephone interview with the Examiner that occurred on October 29, 2010. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in light of this paper, which is set forth as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 3; and Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.